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# DECORATION GIVEN CAPT. LASSITER



Captain Herbert C. Lassiter (SC) USN, receives congratulations from Commanding Officer Captain F. C. Hill following his receiving of the Bronze Star Medal on SOQ-C recently at Captain's Inspection. Shown at far left is Commander Fred Shapiro, inspecting officer, and Lt. Cmdr. Austin Friend, ward medical officer, who read the citation. Officer patients on C are shown in the background.

A veteran of 32 years in the Naval Service, Captain Herbert C. Lassiter (SC) USN, patient on SOQ-C, recently was presented with the Bronze Star medal by Captain F. C. Hill, commanding officer of the hospital, for his meritorious achievement as a supply officer in the Alaskan Sector.

Captain Lassiter was formerly supply officer in command at the Naval Supply Depot, Pier 91, for 18 months. He also served at Sand Point for two years before going to Alaska in July, 1942. During the first World War, Captain Lassiter, then an Ensign, served at the Navy Yard in Norfolk, Va.

The citation accompanying his Bronze Star medal, signed by Fleet Admiral C. W. Nimitz, set forth the following: "For meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding service as supply officer on the staff of the commander, Alaskan Sector, from July 1, 1942 to September 1943. He reorganized Supply Depots of various Naval bases and activities of the Alaskan Sector, supervised them and gave constant personal attention to the operation and handling of cargo shipping thereby expediting the efficiency of merchant vessels. By his energy, broad knowledge of supply problems and wise counsel on supply as well as other matters he contributed greatly to the success of operations in Alaska and the furtherance of the war effort. His conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval service."

## LT. ROSS DETACHED FROM NAVAL HOSPITAL

Orders last week removed from the hospital compound a popular officer, Lt. David T. Ross, athletic officer, who upon detachment proceeded to the Armed Guard School at Shelton, Va.

Lieutenant Ross reported to the Seattle hospital 6 October, 1944, from the Receiving Station PSNY, Bremerton, Wash. Prior to that, he had done duty in Norfolk, San Diego, was welfare and physical training instructor at Kodiak, Alaska, and for a short while was stationed at the Thirteenth Naval District Headquarters.

Lieutenant Ross was in charge of the physical training for staff personnel and in addition served as coach and director of the station varsity and intra mural athletic teams.

Before enlisting in the Navy 18

## LT. CMDR. B. SILVER REPORTS FOR DUTY

Welcome aboard to Lieutenant Commander Bernard Silver, (MC)-USNR, who reported here last week for duty from the 14th Naval District.

Lieutenant Commander Silver came to Seattle hospital from San Diego following a three-year tour of duty in the Pacific. He entered the service in January, 1942. Previous to his entrance in the Navy, Dr. Silver practiced as a specialist in Los Angeles. He has been assigned to Ward 25.

April, 1942, Mr. Ross graduated from Lafayette College and was a teacher and head football coach at East-side High School, Paterson, N. J.

His many friends on the station wish him the best of luck on his new assignment.

## ALL-HANDS DANCE TO BE HELD FRIDAY NITE

An All-Hands dance has been planned for Friday, 4 May, it was announced this week by Lt. Paul E. Thompson, recreation and welfare officer.

The affair, for all Waves, Hospital Corpsmen, Staff Officers, Nurses, Cadets and Patients will be held in the Recreation Hall auditorium from 2000 to 2300.

Music will be provided by the hospital's Rhythm Doctors. There will be refreshments.

## Staff Doctor Detached

Lt. M. C. Lockwood (MC) USNR, who has been assigned to this station for the past month, left last week for temporary duty at Treasure Island. Dr. Lockwood came to this hospital from Portland when he entered the service from civilian life.

## PURPLE HEART MEDALS AWARDED 2 PATIENTS

Two more patients on the base have been awarded the Purple Heart Medal. Last week in the office of the Executive Officer, Capt. French R. Moore presented the medals to Llewellyn D. Williams, Radio technician third class, for wounds received in the Southwest Pacific on 5 December, 1944, and to staff Sgt. Robert A. Michaud, USMC, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 September, 1944. Williams is a patient on Ward 6 and Michaud is from Ward 7.



# The Stethoscope

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## A MOTHER'S DAY MESSAGE

Mother's Day, which comes on 13 May, will have a greatly added significance in this year of 1945. Never in our history have so many millions of our men and women been away from their homes and country. Millions of mothers will be thinking of their loved ones who are fighting on battle fronts in far away lands. And many of these mothers will, with sad and aching hearts, realize anew, that there never will be another Mother's Day for their sons who have perished in this conflict.

Wives and mothers at home must put up a valiant struggle to keep the domestic front intact. Their morale needs bolstering just as does the morale of those who are at the fighting fronts.

Those of us who have seen overseas service know the undescribable pleasure and exultation of receiving mail from home. When mail fails to arrive for days or weeks, spirits plumb the depths of unhappiness and loneliness. When the mail comes at last, spirits and morale spurt into the stratosphere of joy. Mothers and wives at home long for news from their loved ones. Their spirits, too, will soar if, for a Mother's Day present they receive a long, news-packed letter from a son or daughter who has been long absent and far distant from the family fireside.

Let us make Mother's Day a happy one this year by writing that letter to a lonely mother, wife or sister at home.

E. A. LE COCQ, (MC) USNR,  
Orthopedist.

## Overseas Mail Censorship Relaxed Recently to Help Build Men's Morale

Relaxation of "unduly restrictive censorship directives" is announced by Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Commander in Chief, U. S. Pacific Fleet and Pacific Ocean Areas, in a letter to Pacific Fleet and Naval shore activities in the Pacific area.

Personnel may disclose details of Naval battles engaged in by surface vessels after 30 days, according to the letter. Commanding officers may lengthen the security period, however, if advisable.

The 30-day "blackout" also applies to mention of a port which a surface vessel may have visited.

If a vessel is identified by name in an official communique or press release announcing its participation in an engagement, the commanding officer is authorized to lift censorship restrictions applying

to that particular engagement.

### Sub Action Still Secret

No relaxation is permitted in censorship of submarine activities.

Mobile assault units, after official announcement of their identity and location, may be authorized to relate personal experiences during the assault phase of the announced engagement, but disclosure of location of personnel thereafter is prohibited.

Garrison and development units, and units already assigned and using the A.P.O. or Navy number address of the locality under attack may not reveal their whereabouts nor their participation in the action.

Naval personnel not attached to any fleet or mobile unit, and traveling through the 14th Naval District to or from the States, may place trans-Pacific phone calls, at the discretion of the Commandant,

## Know Your Officers



LT. CMDR. HALE A. HAVEN

One of the first doctors on the Naval hospital compound was Lt. Comdr. Hale A. Haven, (MC) USNR, Seattle surgeon, who reported aboard for duty on 30 November, 1942. He reported here from civilian life.

Dr. Haven attended Cornell College and is a graduate of Northwestern University medical school. He took post graduate work in general surgery, neurology and neurosurgery gaining his PhD in Neurosurgery from Northwestern.

He was director of the division of neurology and neurosurgery at the Mason Clinic in Seattle from 1934 to 1942 and is certified by the American Board of Neurosurgery.

In addition to his post as neurosurgery at the Naval hospital, Dr. Haven is on the board of medical survey and the surgical watch list.

## Housing News

Housing in FPHA Units in the Stewart Heights Project is now open for Naval personnel after having been closed for several weeks. This project is located in Kirkland and is approximately 12 miles from the hospital.

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Because of difficulties with priorities the opening of the 75th Street Project in which the Naval Hospital has been allocated 35 units has been delayed. Probable opening date is 1 September.

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The Frye Hotel, located in downtown Seattle, has a few rooms available for couples. The rates are from \$45 to \$57 per month.

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The District Housing Service office is located in Room 810, Exchange Building. Additional information concerning the above mentioned facilities may be secured by calling Lt. Jack Mathews, station housing officer at Ext. 227.

14th Naval District.

Admiral Nimitz's letter added that the salutary effect on morale would more than compensate for the increased hazard to security of information presented by the relaxation of censorship restrictions.

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## Chaplains Corner

### DIVINE SERVICES Hospital Chapel CATHOLIC

Chaplain.....John Lane  
Sunday Masses.....0620 and 0930  
Weekday Mass.....0620 Daily  
Novena Service.....Tuesday 1800  
Confessions: Heard before all masses

### PROTESTANT

Chaplains.....W. Boyd Thrift  
Lloyd A. Doty  
Divine Services.....1030  
Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 1700

## TRAIN OF THOUGHT

Somebody once remarked that a train of thought is a good thing if it's going somewhere. And that reminds us of the declaration that if all the Nazis were laid end to end it would be a good thing.

Be that as it may, this much is true: If you expect to get anywhere in this world, you'd better select a goal, and then bend every effort toward reaching it. The trouble with a lot of us now is that we have a different idea of what we ought to do with ourselves from that which we planned a few years ago. The war and the experiences it has brought have made us older men and women almost overnight. We see things differently, we react differently, and we realize now that we need to re-think the thoughts and re-plan the plans we once had.

While the big people at the San Francisco conference work out plans for the world of tomorrow, we little people can profit by charting a course for our own individual lives. The rough part of it is that nobody can do it for us. We have to do it ourselves.

It is really better that way. We have to live with ourselves, as well as with others, and what we decide to do with our lives is our responsibility.

A train of thought is a good thing if it's going somewhere. So is a trend of life.—W.B.T.

## Pharm. P. J. Filla Leaves For Bethesda

Pharmacist Peter J. Filla bid farewell to a large group of friends here last week when he left for the U.S. Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, Md., where he will undergo instruction in Malariology. Pharm. Filla was detached 27 April after serving here since 13 June, 1944. He reported for duty from the U.S. Naval Hospital at San Diego.

Mr. Filla entered the Navy in 1932 as a hospital corpsman. At the time of his detachment he was assistant commissary officer. Previous to that time he was on duty in the Outside Detail office.



# PATIENTS SMILE AS THEY DEBARK FROM VOYAGE



There were a lot of happy fellows that docked at a Seattle pier, 21 April, as shown in the above photograph. The group of Sailors and Marines composed the draft of patients received here from the Pacific battlefronts. Tired from their long journey, the ambulatory patients were transported by bus to the hospital where they were quickly admitted and assigned to wards.

## JUST HOW TOUGH WAS IWO JIMA?

**Pearl Harbor (CNS)**—Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith said the final word on the battle for Iwo Jima recently during presentation ceremonies at which 1600 Marines who were wounded in the island's conquest received the Purple Heart. It was the greatest mass presentation in Marine Corps history, and it took 21 generals, admirals and commodores almost 2 hours to pin the medals on the Leatherneck heroes' chests.

Not only was Iwo Jima the toughest fight the Marines have had in their 168 years existence, Gen. Smith declared, but they probably will have no tougher combat in 500 years.

## JAPOLOGY



To die for the emperor is the Jap's idea of a noble exit. Some Jap soldiers conduct their own public funerals before leaving for the front. This practice sometimes leads them to die recklessly and unnecessarily, but it also makes them a dangerous enemy.



Earl Zimmerman, CSK, who has been assigned to Ward 35, and Walter E. Young, CMM, Ward 35, pack their bags down the gangway enroute to the bus which will bring them to the U. S. Naval Hospital.

Corporal J. M. Bellemare of Auburn, Maine, may be a long way from home, but it didn't seem that way when he hit the gangplank which brought his footing down on U. S. soil once more after doing a stretch on the Pacific war front. Coming ashore with his barracks bag over his shoulder, the Marine Corporal was one of the many who disembarked from the ship which brought the last draft of patients to the U. S. Naval Hospital for treatment.

# SPORTS

GEORGE NASH, SPORTS EDITOR

## LT. MATHEWS TAKES OVER PHYS. TRAINING PROGRAM FOR STAFF

With the departure of Lt. D. T. Ross, physical training and athletic officer for staff personnel, the Rehabilitation Physical Fitness department will now be in charge of the entire physical training program on the station.

This department in conjunction with the Welfare and Recreation department, will also be in charge of the various intra-mural and varsity teams together with the other recreational activities now taking place. It is planned to continue the same policy as before. The golf leagues, intra-mural softball leagues and the varsity softball team will function as planned by the Athletic and Recreation departments.

Lt. J. Mathews is in charge of physical training and will occupy the office in the Athletic Gear Locker. Any inquiries as to the various activities may be directed to him at Extension 227.

## Schedule Announced In Officers' Golf League

A schedule of matches from the week of 7 May through the week of 18 June has been announced in the Officer's Golf League, by the Athletic department.

Matches for the first week of play are as follows: Long, Beebe vs. Scott, LeCocq; Starr, Lane vs. Lawson, Thompson; Day, Johnson vs. Goforth, Atkins; Keizur, Brillhart vs. Sharov, Schaefer.

Week of 14 May: Long, Beebe vs. Lawson, Thompson; Scott, LeCocq vs. Goforth, Atkins; Starr, Lane vs. Sharov, Schaefer; Day, Johnson vs. Brillhart, Keizur.

Week of 21 May: Long, Beebe vs. Goforth, Atkins; Lawson, Thompson vs. Sharov, Schaefer; Scott, LeCocq vs. Keizur, Brillhart; Starr, Lane vs. Day, Johnson.

Week of 28 May: Long, Beebe vs. Sharov, Schaefer; Goforth, Atkins vs. Brillhart, Keizur; Lawson, Thompson vs. Day, Johnson; Scott, LeCocq vs. Starr, Lane.

Week of 4 June: Long, Beebe vs. Brillhart, Keizur; Sharov, Schaefer vs. Day, Johnson; Goforth, Atkins vs. Starr, Lane; Lawson, Thompson vs. Scott, LeCocq.

Week of 11 June: Long, Beebe vs. Day, Johnson; Brillhart, Keizur vs. Starr, Lane; Sharov, Schaefer vs. Scott, LeCocq; Goforth, Atkins vs. Lawson, Thompson.

Week of 18 June: Long, Beebe vs. Starr, Lane; Day, Johnson vs. LeCocq, Scott; Brillhart, Keizur vs. Lawson, Thompson; Sharov, Schaefer vs. Goforth, Atkins.

## Schedule Announced For Softball League

The hospital's intra-mural softball league, comprising six teams, will get under way at 1730, 7 May, when the Education Department crosses bats with the Staff Officers. This game will be followed by a game between Storeroom No. 2 and Rehabilitation at 1830.

League games will be played twice weekly and a round-robin schedule will prevail. All games will be played on the station's athletic field with national softball rules in effect.

The complete schedule is as follows:

- 8 May: 1730, Commissary vs. Marines Fire Dept.
- 14 May: 1730, Education vs. Rehabilitation.  
1830, Officers vs. Marines Fire Dept.
- 15 May: 1730, Storeroom 2 vs. Commissary.
- 21 May: 1730, Education vs. Marines Fire Dept.  
1830, Rehabilitation vs. Commissary.
- 22 May: 1730, Officers vs. Storeroom 2.
- 28 May: 1730, Education vs. Commissary.  
1830, Marines Fire Dept. vs. Storeroom 2.
- 29 May: 1730, Rehabilitation vs. Officers.
- 4 June: 1730, Education vs. Storeroom 2.  
1830, Commissary vs. Officers.
- 5 June: 1730, Marines Fire Dept. vs. Rehabilitation.

The first round of games will be repeated. Teams' managers are, Capt. Anderson, USMC, Education; Chief McAllister, Storeroom 2; Lt. Middleton, Rehabilitation; McLean, Commissary; Lagar, Marines Fire Dept.; Lt. DeRoos, Doctors.

## Pairings Announced For Golf League

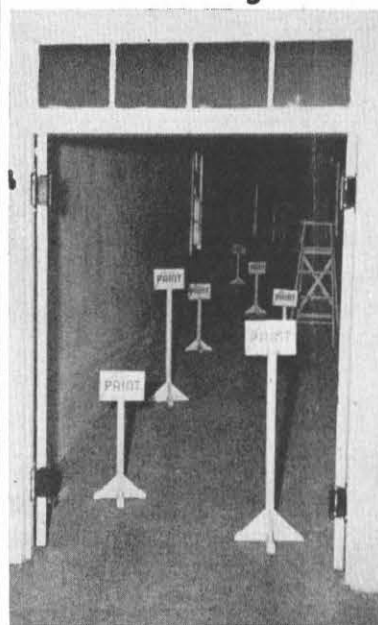
The schedule for round one in the hospital's enlisted men's Golf League has been worked out by the athletic department beginning the week of 7 May.

Scheduled for that week are the following matches: Whalen, Antonacci vs. Barrow, Buchanan; Zimmerman, Schochow vs. Schlesselman, Green; Hogan, Anderson vs. White, Melizer; Dickerson, Howe-by.

Week of 14 May: Whalen, Antonacci vs. Schlesselman, Green; Barrow, Buchanan vs. White, Melizer; Zimmerman, Schochow-by; Hogan, Anderson vs. Dickerson, Howe.

Week of 21 May: Whalen, Anton-

## Housecleaning Time



Just in case you can read, the Signs all say it's Fresh Paint—wet, too. Heralding the season, patients and staff are getting the home feeling of spring housecleaning. Although the maintenance department keeps up a steady gait of redecorating and repairing on the hospital compound throughout the year, passageways through the specialty departments got special treatment at the right time of the year.

Brooklyn (CNS) — Three fun-loving kids, aged 9, broke into a public school, smashed the furniture with toy fire axes, drew mustaches on all the pictures in the hallways, snapped wire strings off the grand piano in the assembly hall, set fire to the place with waste paper, and wound up eating crackers and jam in the school cafeteria. Seized by juvenile authorities, they said it was their idea of a good way to spend a quiet Saturday afternoon.

acci-by; White, Melizer vs. Dickerson, Howe; Schlesselman, Green vs. Hogan, Anderson; Barrow, Buchanan vs. Zimmerman, Schochow.

Week of 4 June: Whalen, Antonacci vs. Dickerson, Howe; Hogan, Anderson-by; White, Melizer vs. Zimmerman, Schochow; Schlesselman, Green vs. Barrow, Buchanan.

Week of 11 June: Whalen, Antonacci vs. Hogan, Anderson; Dickerson, Howe vs. Zimmerman, Schochow; Barrow, Buchanan, Bye; White, Melizer vs. Schlesselman, Green.

Week of 18 June: Whalen, Antonacci vs. Zimmerman, Schochow; Hogan, Anderson vs. Barrow, Buchanan; Dickerson, Howe vs. Schlesselman, Green; White, Melizer-by.

Following the first round of league play a tournament will be held and will be followed by the formation of a new League play schedule.

## Change To Summer Uniforms Effectuated

Clothes always make for interesting conversation and as yesterday the new white tops on officers, hospital corpsmen and Waves look like summer is here whether the weather man thinks so or not.

Commencing 1 May and until 14 November inclusive, the uniform of the day for all officers and enlisted personnel attached to the U. S. Naval Hospital shall be as follows:

Commissioned officers, including nurses and Wave officers, Chief Warrant officers and warrant officers: Service Dress Blue "B"; Chief Petty Officers, cooks and stewards and all other enlisted men, Undress Blue "B"; enlisted Wave personnel, Service Dress Blue "B."

The working uniform, however, may be worn at discretion by both officers and men in lieu of the uniform of the day, except as specifically noted. This working uniform for the officers and men attached to the hospital for the above period shall be: Officers, khaki or gray uniforms; chief petty officers, all other enlisted men, same as officers, regular working uniform as duty detail requires. Enlisted Wave personnel, regular working uniform as duty detail requires.

Khaki or gray uniforms of whatever material made, will not be worn on or off the hospital reservation after 1900 under any circumstances except by officers actually standing the day's duty. Cotton khaki or cotton gray uniforms must be neat, well pressed, clean and present a well groomed appearance or they will be prohibited.

No officer will visit the District Headquarters (Exchange Building) in cotton khaki or cotton gray, except with the specific authority of the executive officer.

The uniform for liberty for all enlisted men for the period 1 May to 14 November will be Dress Blue "B." For enlisted Waves, Service Dress Blue "B." For enlisted Marine personnel, service winter or green uniform; consisting of trousers, coat, cap (barracks or garrison), belt, leather is optional, shirt (khaki or flannel), fied scarf (khaki) overcoat, or raincoat.

Service dress white uniform for Wave officers and enlisted Waves and white uniforms for nurses, is a dress uniform only. It may be worn upon dress occasions; such as church, social functions, theatres, Sundays and evening liberty. This uniform must be neat, well pressed, clean and present a well groomed appearance. This uniform may be prescribed on suitable occasions by the Medical Officer in Command.

Cheyenne, Wyo. (CNS)—Unhappy Harry Harper has something to moan about. He found a \$20 bill on the sidewalk, gave half to the Red Cross, spent the rest on himself, then went home and was arrested. The bill was a phony.

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This is Bargain Day along the beat, and you are getting an expensive column for free with Li'l Abner and the crossword puzzle thrown in. No other column can make this claim.

Well, girls, to make it brief the current news scene about Waves is a stinker. As usual the gals are going out with the fellows every night and they have little to say and say it at great length. The funny dates aren't too funny and the serious ones you can't print about and the ones in between are pretty run of the mill. That about ties up the romance angle girls. Sorry to be so bilious about the whole thing but that's how my metabolism works. But now take the clothes subject . . . that's different.

Waves salted away their navy and reserve blue shirts the 30th and are looking all dressed up in white fronts and tops. Nearby stores report a heavy run on the sale of laundry starch and bleach in preparation of the approaching white shirt washings. The new seersucker garrison caps are cute and everyone is wondering when the new cap insignias are going to reach town. All which reminds one of the new daffynition of CHIC CLOTHES . . . Garments so designed that you can be seen in the best of places.

Just finished reading another article on what the returning GI expects of his future spouse. This coy little bundle of charm must be sweet, but not too, too; smart, but have her intelligence hidden beneath a veneer of cute chatter; sensible, but not apparently so; naive, but not too easily shocked; sophisticated, but not shopworn; attractive, but without artificiality; and must know her way around without having been around too much. Gads! Are they putting opium in K rations?

Waves were sorry to wave goodbye last Saturday to Madeline Schnabel and Kathryn Wolfe who left for Mare Island, to go under O.T. instructions. Schnabel was an old-timer on the compound from Brooklyn, having reported here for duty 2 January, 1944, and Wolfe came in 21 July, 1944. Good luck on the new venture girls.

#### IT'S A BOY

Congratulations to Lt. Cmdr. and Mrs. Carl D. F. Jensen on the birth of a son on 20 April at Swedish Hospital. The baby joins Carl Jr., and sisters, Landon and Janney.

Hannibal, Mo. (CNS)—A motorist knocked down a pedestrian, picked him up, dusted him off and drove him home. Then the driver charged his victim 50 cents for the ride.

## OFFICER OF THE DAY'S OFFICE HUB OF HOSPITAL'S ACTIVITIES



Wave Nina Hockenbrock, PhM3c, who held down the Mate-of-the-Day duty in the Officer of the Day's office for the past six months before leaving this week for overseas duty, answers one of the numerous telephone calls which come to the O.O.D. desk during the course of the day. Lt. David K. Taylor (MC), USNR, serving as Officer of the Day when the above picture was taken, is signing the admission papers for the patient at his right. Margaret Brassel HA1c, logs a motor vehicle dispatch.

The answer to telephone extensions 5 or 6 brings "Information Desk" or "Officer of the Day's Office," and that, patients and staff, covers a lot of territory.

From questions concerning the whereabouts of patients and their condition to the logging of every car leaving the compound on a business trip, the mates of the day and officer in charge are kept busy the better part of 24 hours in the day. The desk is not without its humorous side, for some of the telephonic inquiries rate the Believe It Or Not Column. Many calls come in asking, "Do you have a Sailor there by the name of Bill. He's tall, thin and real cute." Recently one woman called to inquire about a patient of whom she apparently knew very little. In the process of questioning the inquirer to find out who the boy might be, the doctor asked, "What's his trouble?" The answer: "He's a Marine."

Actually the work on the desk consists of more than questions and answers. The Officer of the Day, who is a different staff doctor each day, is the representative of the executive officer. He signs admission chits, garage dispatch chits, property passes, signs out discharged patients and staff, and keeps a smooth log.

A rough log of the day's happenings from the time of morning colors and including a log of all patients admitted and discharged, a check on the serious and critical list, is kept by the mate of the day.

From the time a patient or staff member enters the hospital until he leaves, the information desk

knows his whereabouts and can put their finger on him. A complete roster of all patients and officer personnel is kept. Its chief use is locating people when they have visitors. Besides clearing the visitors in and out of the hospital, the office answers questions and directs strangers to the various wards.

Besides the checking, bookwork and telephone calls, the fire alarm system for the hospital is located in the O. D.'s office and a complete check on the time and location of fire alarms is kept.

On duty at the desk during the day is the Officer of the Day, relief officer of the day, mate of the day, telephone watch and messengers. After 1630, the duty is increased by the attendance of the senior watch officer, two internes, surgical watch officer, security officer, and chief of the day.

### Nuptial Vows Exchanged By Couple In Chapel

The Chapel on the Hill was the scene of a pretty wedding on 21 April when Miss Madeline Banton of Bangor, Maine, became the bride of Charles E. Newton, Sp(Q)1c, Ward 2. Catholic Chaplain John Lane officiated at the ceremony. Attending the couple were Lt. (jg) Virginia Smith and Pfc. Tony Brisgal. Mrs. Newton was formerly employed in Washington, D. C.

Stambaugh, Iowa (CNS) — It's still a male government in Stambaugh, a ticket of housewives having failed to oust the masculine mayor and council.

## NURSES' NOTES

LT. (jg) ROSE THORNTON, N. C.

....Lts. (jg) M. Cagno and S. Rant, who flew back to the East Coast for leave, are thoroughly enjoying themselves. They say that the countryside is beautiful in its spring colors. New York is still there, too, in case anyone is wondering.

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The girls write from Pearl Harbor that they are basking in the sunshine on the beautiful beaches when they are off duty. Don't we envy them?

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Ensign J. Oines was happy recently to learn that her brother, Alvis, a Marine, who has been overseas in the South Pacific for three years, has returned to Los Angeles. Miss Oines visited him for a few days.

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Welcome aboard to Lts. (jg) R. Ballantine and L. Harriman, who have just arrived from a base hospital in the South Pacific. They helped to close the hospital in the New Hebrides.

### Kadette Kapers

Over at Cadet Quarters it seems to be a case of "The great big shovel draws nearer and nearer."

Just notice "that look" in Blackburn's eye at hearing "Magic Is The Moonlight." That special happy mood of Mary's suggests that Ensign Boldridge was here on leave.

Lights out—in fact out three times to tell us it's time to let silence reign. There were a few gasps at first, but all is under control now.

Harmonizing gets plenty of attention from Busch, Gilman and Davis and with pleasing results, too.

Brown really must be worried about state board exams to take the review book out on dates with her. Gordan, who practically had nightmares about that first time roller skating managed not to fall even once.

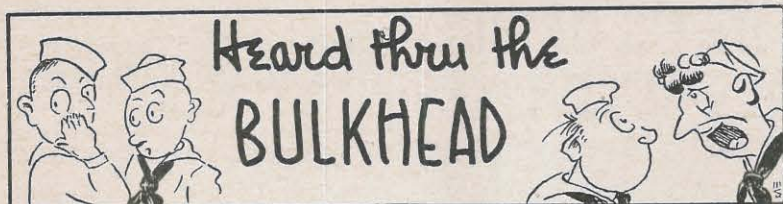
Jonsey looked as cute as a bug's ear for that "Little Kids" party; Erlandson and Miller were close rivals. Furgeson must really take physical fitness seriously. She had a black and blue arm to prove it.

### LIBRARY TO CLOSE SATURDAYS AT 1800

The hospital library, located in the Recreation building, will close Saturdays at 1800 from May 5 until fall, it was announced this week by the librarian. The library will remain open during other week-day evenings until 2100.

Elko, Nev. (CNS) A. C. Smart, pantless, was arrested on a downtown street. "What's the idea?" he was asked. "Just a whim," he replied. The sentence: 30 days for whimsical Smart.





**Words of Wisdom from a Friend:**  
"When the Lord gives you something good, Peggy, use it."

The Waves give a vote of thanks to the mysterious friend who provided the large box of hard candy which appeared at the Wave barracks a week or so ago.

A frequent visitor on the compound of late has been the former Chief Hood, now Joe Civilian. Hood enterprises, comprising landscape architecture and building is the former Chief MA's stock and trade in the Arcade Building.

The old night gate team of Dart and Irish was broken up last week with the two corpsmen receiving orders to different parts of the country. More than one Wave is mourning the passing of the two corpsmen from our midst.

A gardening project instituted by Commander Wanamaker at Aiea Heights now is a flourishing institution... The chief who is now in charge of the project says that he's become so interested in the subject that he intends to be a horticulturist after the war.

Funny how the mere thoughts of the Bulkhead column scares Norman. Couldn't be a guilty conscience, could it Bill.

Then there's the Wave who thinks Yeoman are feather merchants 'cause they wear feathers on their arms.

## Air Medal Citation Presented Patient

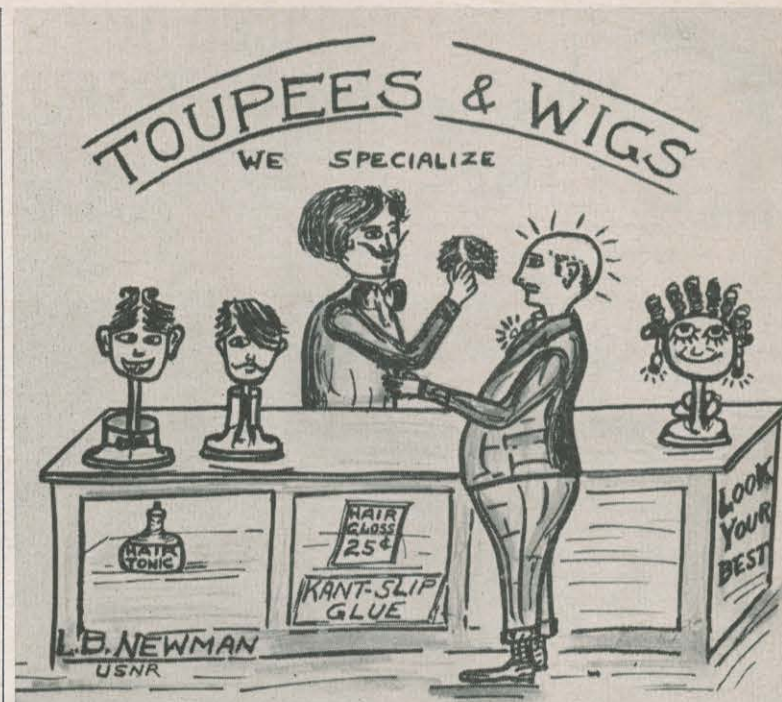
A permanent citation for the Air Medal was received last week by Derral A. Pedigo, AMM2c, USN, patient on Ward 20. The Air Medal and temporary citation had previously been received by the hospital patient.

Said Pedigo's citation, "For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight as a member of a bombing crew engaged in search and strike missions against enemy Japanese forces in the South Pacific area from August 26 to December 8, 1943.

"Carrying out his duties with skill and courage, Pedigo contributed materially to the acquisition of valuable information regarding hostile forces and assisted in the destruction of six enemy cargo and patrol vessels and one bomber. By his vigilance and heroic devotion to duty he was also instrumental in damaging Japanese shore installations, a destroyer leader, a submarine, three cargo vessels and four fighter and observation planes. His unswerving loyalty throughout many combat missions was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

## Nazi Plot To Blow Up Panama Canal Foiled

Santiago (CNS)—The Chilean newspaper "Nacion" has printed a story describing a purported plot to impair the usefulness of the Panama Canal. According to "Nacion," a Chilean Merchant Marine captain approached a German saboteur, now under detention here, and asked that he be given a ship loaded with explosives which he intended to blow up in the Canal. The newspaper did not say whether the attempt was made.



"Put a streak of gray in mine—I'm the worrying type."

## Robin Business Turns Chief Varner To Bird Doc

Something new has been added. . . . The hospital now has a bird doctor. 'Course it could be that Chief Varner has been getting or giving "de boid" to someone, but last week he played doc to an injured robin and with evidently a bit of success.

With the help of the Waves in the admission office, the robin with a broken leg was properly cared for. A bit of amputation of the metatarsals and a properly applied splint and the robin was on the wing again.

## It's Human—Guess Who?



You wouldn't think that the zaney above could ever make 1st class in the hospital corps, but maybe it was the struggle that did it. Slightly on the weird side is the portrait of our esteemed one from the M. A.'s office. (Doubt if even his mother would claim him.) In case you haven't guessed, it's Ike in one of his lighter moments.

## Ads 'n Stuff

FOUND—Brown leather eye glass case in chapel. Owner may claim at Stethoscope office.

LOST—Australian coin chain bracelet on compound, by Margaret Hastings, telephone operator. Reward offered for its return.

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

In compliance with Naval Regulations, The Stethoscope publishes in advance, all general and local elections throughout the United States. This will enable each man to request ballots from his home state in sufficient time to execute his or her voting privilege. Post cards will be furnished by the Hospital Voting Officer, Lt. P. Thompson, in the recreation office. All post cards must be addressed to their respective Secretary of State requesting an absentee ballot.

**GEORGIA:** A general statewide election to ratify or reject a proposed new state constitution will be held 7 August.

**MICHIGAN:** A municipal primary election will be held in the City of Detroit on 7 August.

**OHIO:** A primary election will be held in most cities throughout the state on 31 July.

**VIRGINIA:** A Democratic primary election will be held throughout the state on 7 August.

## Hospital Wave Becomes Bride In Idaho Ceremony

On 17 April at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Lucille Reynolds, H.A.2c, member of the Hospital Wave staff became the bride of Alfred R. Reynolds, PhM3c, formerly at this hospital and now stationed at the Naval Hospital, Farragut, Idaho.

The wedding took place at the Presbyterian manse with the Rev. Hunter officiating. The bride is a native of Munse, Ind., and her husband is from Kansas City, Mo.

## TIPS ON THE PIX

Recreation Auditorium

Shows at 1730 and 1930

**WEDNESDAY, 2 MAY—**

No Show

**THURSDAY, 3 MAY—**

"DELIGHTFULLY DANGEROUS"

Ralph Bellamy and Connie Moore.

**FRIDAY, 4 MAY—**

All Hands Dance 2000 to 2300.

**SATURDAY, 5 MAY—**

"BROADWAY RHYTHM"

George Murphy and Ginny Simms.

1730 U.S.O. Show on the Stage

## "Showing Off" To Be Given Here 5-6 May

Hospital patients and staff will be treated to another in a series of U.S.O. shows on Saturday evening, 5 May. The show, "Showing Off" will be presented in the Recreational Hall auditorium at 1930. On Sunday, 6 May, the same USO show will be given by the troupe on the wards for the benefit of the bed patients.

**Milwaukee (CNS)—**A little boy, his head wrapped in a scarf, sat next to his mother on a crowded bus. Suddenly the scarf fell off, disclosing the boy's head encased in a kitchen pot. "Well, all right," his mother said. "He's stuck and we're on our way to a blacksmith."